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Minister of State Shigenori TOGO'S SPEECH
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"I have the honor to state my view here, when Japanese Forces are winning under the august virtue of His Majesty, American and British invasion bases are being overturned, and the great undertaking of the establishment of Greater East Asia is making progress.

"I pray for the success of our soldiers, who are fighting at the front, and mourn from my heart for the war-dead. At the same time I feel sympathy and pay my respects to those Japanese people who are stationed in enemy countries and in the theater of war, where they are enduring hardships, and I wish their health. (Applause)

"Now we are fighting with a great determination and advancing the aim of this war. Although our enemies have spread propaganda, it has been admitted by the peoples of the world that it is truly unavoidable for us to take up arms in this war. (Applause) The emancipation and prosperity of East Asia must not be satisfied by the leaders of America and Britain. We are going on towards our aims with a conviction that the emancipation and prosperity of East Asia are our tasks which are given by the world. (Applause) We are justified for this war, and so the Japanese Forces are winning marvelous war results where the spirits of Gods are issued forth. These facts have startled the world. (Applause)

"As I stated before the previous Diet session, this is the war in which we down America and Britain, who have been selfish, invasive and aggressive, and who have intentions of controlling the world. On the other hand, the nature of this war is for the emancipation of East Asia and for the establishment of the new world order. Accordingly, the

governments of Manchukuo and China have fully understood our intentions in the prosecution of the war since its outbreak and have cooperated with a positive zeal. French Indo-China has also cooperated with Japan. Thailand has discerned the aim of this war and has also cooperated with Japan. She has been determined to eliminate American and British influences, which have been the roots of evil in East Asia. On December 21 last year, she concluded the alliance with Japan. (Applause.) The Japanese Government will pay respects to the excellent views of the leaders of Thailand and give full support to their constructive efforts. Actually cooperation between the two has increased. And thus, our diplomatic organization has been steadily completed. The spirit of cooperation between Japan and these friendly countries has made the carrying out of the war and control of the South easy.

"As you know, the connection between Japan, Germany and Italy has become ever increasingly tight, and the close cooperation has been embodied, step by step in military affairs, economy, diplomacy, and all the other matters. Whatever America and Britain may do to attempt to separate Japan, Germany, Italy, and other friendly countries from each other, there must be no room allowed them to accomplish this aim. The iron combination of the Axis Powers stands as firm as a rock, which will become more and more dense. Of course, the Axis Powers are quite different from the so-called group of Allied Powers who gathered many exiled governments. (Applause.) The Neutrality Pact between Japan and the Soviet Union has still been kept and remains unchanged." (Applause.)

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"We are going to keep the good relations between Japan and the neutral countries in South America and Europe from now on to as long as possible. If the countries in South America are not tempted by America and do not show their hostile and unfriendly attitudes toward Japan, we will fully respect their positions. So we will gaze with keen interest at the present Rio de Janeiro Conference. Our true enemies are the American and British ambitions to control the world. In order to gain their advantages, they make a puppet of a third country and sacrifice her in cold blood. The world knows that such doings by them are too numerous to mention. Whatever plot they may lay, we ought not to be tempted." (Applause.)

"We have never been hostile to the inhabitants of the Dutch East Indies and, therefore, we have never expected that they sink into the depths of misery on account of America and Britain. (Applause.) However, America, Britain, Holland and Chungking have been united lately and made Dutch East Indies their strategic base. Moreover, the act of hostility of the Dutch East Indies has become evident and so we have been compelled to commence fighting against the Dutch East Indies.

"There are still the bigoted people in Chungking who depend on America and Britain, but I believe that in the near future, these unawakened people will deeply think over our common tasks in all East Asia, return to their proper honor, and cooperate in the construction of the new order in East Asia.

"The aim of this war is the establishment of the Greater East Asia Co-Prosperity which is based on the spirit of the foundation of Japan; at the same time it decides the joint destiny of all races in East Asia; so it is natural that the areas absolutely necessary for the defense of East Asia must be grasped by Japan. (Applause.) It is also natural, in view of the justification of this war, that the areas which have been American and British territories, be given their proper standings in accordance with the traditions and cultures of their races.

"It is truly evident that this war, the aim of which is the establishment of the Greater East Asia-Co-Prosperity Sphere, based on such fundamental principles, is quite different from the so-called invasive war. The leaders of America and Britain, who want to explain this war with the word "invasive", have only proved that they kept to that idea and style in accordance with their doings. (Applause.) We did not expect the fighting of races which has been propagated by our enemies, so we have not admitted any necessity for it. (Applause.) Japan also does not fight with a narrow-minded exclusive intention. The idea of the Greater East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere has not the nature of exclusiveness. Accordingly, it is evident that the relation of economy and communication will be dense between the countries in this sphere and the other friendly countries as the establishment of this sphere makes progress.

"In order to carry out the construction of the Greater East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere, Japan, who has had the leadership of all races in East Asia, must have her grand view and conception and clear cognition in regard to the principle of co-prosperity. Moreover, she must show her positive attitude according to the construction of the East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere in her various organizations and fully meet the expectations of the races in East Asia. Consequently, our duty has been more and more grave, and we, the Japanese nation, must conquer various difficulties with the connection of all Japanese, accomplish the glorious undertaking, and reward to the honor that we live in the Holy era when our country is rising." (Applause.)

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(一九四三年一月二十二日)

國務大臣(東郷茂徳君)は、校威、下皇軍、赫々たる戦果ヲ擧ゲ、米英、東亞侵略、基地ハ相次イテ崩壊シ、東亞興隆ノ大業着々トシテ、歩武ヲ進メツツアリマス。今日、茲ニ所見ヲ申陳致シマスハ、私、最も光榮トスル所デアリマス。

私ハ先ヅ第一線ニ奮闘シツアル皇軍將兵、武運長久ヲ祈念スルト共ニ、尊キ英靈ニ対シ敬弔、意ヲ表スルモデアリマス。又是ト同時ニ、敵國又ハ交戦地域ニ在ッテ辛苦ヲ嘗メツル我ハ在外同胞ニ対シ、茲ニ衷心ヨリ敬意ト同情ヲ表シ、其、健在ヲ祈ルモデアリマス(拍手)

今ヤ一億鉄石ノ決意ヲ以テ一路完遂ニ邁進シツアル大東亞戦争ニ於テ、帝國ハ遂ニ干戈ニ訴フル、己ヲ得ザリシ事情ハ、敵國側、利己的宣傳ニモ拘ラズ、世界、諸方面ニ於テ、曰ト共ニ了得セラレ来ツタデアリマス(拍手)

元來東亞、解放トカ、又其興隆トカ申スコトハ、米英、現在、指導者達、氣ニ入ル筈ハタイデアリマスルガ、彼等ガ好ト否トラ問ハズ、吾々ハ東亞、解放並ニ興隆ヲ以テ世界史的使命ナリト確信シ、此、大業ニ向ッテ邁進シツアルデアリマス(拍手)

大義名分ハ既ニ我レアルデアリマシテ、其、神氣、発スル所、世界ノ耳目ヲ聳動セル皇軍ノ目覺マシキ、戦果ハミラ如實ニ證明シテ餘リアルデアリマス(拍手)

本戦争ハ前議會ニ於テ説明致シミタ通り、一面米英

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、利己的、榨取的、侵略的、世界制覇、打倒戦タル性質ヲ有シ、マルスト共ニ他面全東亞、解放戦タル性格ヲ有シ、更ニ進ミテハ世界新秩序、建設戦タル本質ヲ有スルモノデアリマス。隨ヒミテ滿洲國及中華民國國民政府ニ於キマシテハ、帝國ノ戦争遂行ニ付キ當初ヨリ十分、理解ヲ有シ積極的熱意ヲ以テ完全ナル協力ヲナシ来リ、佛印モ亦帝國ニ對シ諸般協力ヲナシ来ツタデアリマス。而シテ又「タイ」國ハ直ニ本戦争本質ヲ明察ミニシテ、蹶然起テ帝國ト相携テ東亞、禍根タル米英勢力ヲ其除根絶スルノ決意ヲ固メ、去年十二月二十一日帝國ト同盟條約ヲ締結スルニ至ツタデアリマス（拍手）帝國政府、「タイ」國政府首腦者、達見ニ對シ敬意ヲ表シマス。同國、建設的努カニ對シテハ十分、同情ト支援トヲ惜マヌモノデアリマシテ、現ニ兩國、協力關係ハ益々緊密ヲ加ヘ来ツタデアリマス。斯ク、如ク、外交態勢ハ着々整備サレテ參ツタ。況ニ此、種友邦諸國ト、協力關係ハ帝國、戦争遂行上、且ツ南亞侵略ノ進行上ニテ著ク容易ナラシメテ居ルデアリマス。

尚ホ帝國ト獨伊兩國ト、結合ハ既ニ承知、通り、益々國ヲ加ヘ、軍事、外交、經濟等各般ニ亘リ極メテ緊密ナル協力關係ガ着々ト具體化サレツ、アルデアリマス。如何ニ米英カ日獨伊三國及ヒ其、他、盟邦諸國、離間企テヨリトモ絶對ニ其ノ餘地ナイデアリマシテ、軸諸國、鉄壁、團結、微動ナシ、コトヨク益々密接ナル認アリマシメ、米英ガ多數、亡命政府ヲモ聚メ、所謂聯合國群ト、全ク其、類ヲ異ニスルモノデアリマス。（拍手）

帝國ト「ソヴェト」聯邦ト、關係ハ依然中立條約ニ依リテ規

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律セラルルモノデアリマス。何等、變化ハアリマス又(拍手)

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國務大臣(東郷茂徳君)(續)帝國ハ南米及び歐洲、中立諸國トハ、引續キ成ベク良好ナル關係ヲ維持シテ行ク方針アリマス。殊ニ南米諸國ガ米國、策動ニ乗ゼラレ、帝國ニ對シ敵對的乃至非友誼的態度ニ出デサル限リ、帝國ハ十分其ノ立場ヲ尊重スル考ヘデアリマスルガ、現ニ南催中、「リオデジネイロ」會議ニ對シマシテ、深甚ナル注意ト関心ヲ拂ツテ居ル次第デアリス。帝國、真ニ敵視スル所ノモノハ、米英ノ世界制覇ノ野望デアリマスルガ、此ノ米英ハ自己ノ利益ヲ充サシムルニ第一三國ヲ操縦シ、遂ニハ之ヲ犠牲ニシテ顧カルモノデアリマス。其ノ事例、枚擧ズニ遑ナキトハ世界周知、通デアリマスルガ、彼等ガ此ノ如何ニ畫策陰謀ヲ逞シラシムルトモ、更ニ之ニ乗ゼラルルガ如キモノハナカルベキモノデアリマス(拍手)

尚ホ帝國ハ蘭領印度ノ住民ニ對シ何等敵意ヲ包藏スル次第デアリマス。然レテ蘭印ガ米英ノ手先トナツテ不幸ト運命ニ陥ルガ如キハ決シテ帝國ノ本意デハナカッタデアリマス(拍手)然ルニ最近米英蘭重慶等ガ共謀致シマシテ蘭印ヲ敵戰略的基地トナスニ至ルノミナラズ蘭印側ノ敵對行為ガ顯著ニ相成リマシタ。帝國ハ已ムラ得ズ之ニ對シ戰闘行為ヲ開始スルニ至リタ次第デアリマス。

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重慶ニ於テハ今尚ホ米英依存ノ頑迷分子ガ存スル次第デアリマスルガ、是等未覺醒分子ガ全東亞共同ノ使命ニ深ク思フ致シ、廓然トシテ本來ノ面目ニ立返リ、東亞新秩序ノ建

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設協カミ来ル曰、遠カラガレベキヲ信スル、デアリマス

抑々今次戦争、目的タル大東亞共栄圏、建設、我が聲
國、精神ニ淵源スルト共ニ、東亞諸民族、共同、運命ニ立脚
スルモ、デアリマスルニ依リ、東亞防衛、為ニ絶対必要ナル地域
ハミラ帝國ニ於テ把握スベキハ當然デアリマス（拍手）併シ
他方東亞ニ於テ米英、領有シ来ル諸地域が各民族、
傳統文化等ニ應ジ、ソレ一適當ナル地位ヲ認メラルベキ
トハ本戦争、大義ニ鑑ミ是亦然ルベキ所デアリマス

斯ク、如キ根本理念ニ基キ大東亞共栄圏、建設ヲ目的トスル
今次戦争が所謂侵略戦争トハ全ク本質ヲ異ニスルモノナル
コトハ自明、理デアリマシテ、本戦争ニ對シ侵略ト云フが如キ言
葉ヲ以テ説明セトスル米英、指導者達ハ曾テ彼等が行
来ツ所ニ適合スル觀念ト流儀ヨリ未ダ一步モ脱却シテ居ナイ
證據ヲ示スニ當ギナイデアリマス（拍手）又帝國トシテハ、敵國側、
宣傳スル人種戰、如キハ豫想モセス、又其ノ必要モ認メテ居
ナイデアリマス（拍手）尚、又帝國、偏狹ナル排他的意圖

以テ戰テ居ルデハナイデアリマシテ、東亞共栄圏、觀念、如
キ何等排他的、閉鎖的性質ヲ有スルモノデハナイデアリマス
隨テ右共栄圏ト國外、友好國ト、經濟交通、如キモ、共栄
圏、建設過程ノ進ムニ伴ヒ、逐次緊密ナルベキハ明カデア
リマス

而シテ又此、大東亞共栄圏、建設ヲ完遂スル為ニ、東亞
諸民族、指導的地位ニアル日本自ラ先ヅ視野ト構想
トラ雄大ニシテ、共栄本義ニ関シ、透徹セル認識ヲ持テ進ニ

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テハ国内態勢、各般ニ互リ東亞共栄圈、建設ニ相應
ズルが如き積極的的態度ニ出デ。且又東亞諸民族、期待
ニ對シテモ之ニ副フ所十分ナルヲ期スベキデアリニシテ。茲ニ帝國
ノ責務、愈々重大ヲ加ヘ来ル多次第デアリマス。隨テ吾
吾日本國民、舉國一致、凡ル艱難ヲ克服シテ光輝
ル曠古ノ大事業ヲ完成シ、以テ振古未曾有ノ國運發展
ノ聖代ニ生ラ享クル、光榮ニ報ユル所ナルベカラズト考ヘル次第
デアリマス (拍手)

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/Minister of State Hideki TOJO ascends the platform./

Minister of State Hideki TOJO's Speech

"At the opening ceremony of the Imperial Diet, P.I.P. the Emperor honored us with an Imperial rescript. We are filled with trepidation and gratitude. In obedience to the Imperial thought, we must pursue our respective duties with might and main, promptly prosecute the aim of the war, and thus ease His Majesty's anxiety. (Applause.)

"I am very happy to say, since the outbreak of the war, there has been no enemy who has been able to stop the Japanese troops from advancing. We are winning gloriously everywhere and upset almost all of the enemy's strategic points in East Asia in a short time. We are strengthening more and more the pressure upon the Chiang Kai-shek regime. Our defense of northern frontier is perfect. It is a matter for hearty congratulations that by these victories the prestige of our country is being enhanced. (Applause.) This is solely attributable to the august virtues of His Majesty, for which we are filled with gratitude. I express my thanks and pay my respects to the brave Japanese soldiers who are winning numerous battles on the various fronts in vast areas in spite of the heat and cold for their pains and distinguished military services from the bottom of my heart. (Applause.) I mourn for the dead and sympathize with the bereaved families and the wounded. (Applause)

"Now, the cardinal principle for directing the Greater East Asiatic War, in which Japan is now engaged, is, while expanding our fighting strength by securing strategic points in Greater East Asia and by bringing under our control areas

containing important resources, to fight out this war until the United States and Britain are defeated by carrying out aggressive operations in close concert and cooperation with Germany and Italy. (Applause.) America and Britain have for a long time prepared to conquer the world. These two countries are the most wealthy. I can easily imagine they will counter-attack obstinately and try to recover from their discouraging situation, so we must prepare for various difficulties and a long war. The true war must be in the future. In order to carry out the aim of this holy war, all our people must do their best for our country with the faith of victory in defiance of difficulties. The spirit of thrift, militarism, and self-devotion to the state are indispensable, not only to overcome these difficulties at the present but also for our country to thrive. (Applause.)

Now, Japan is engaged in the undertaking of establishing the Greater East Asia co-prosperity sphere, as she pushes the grand military operations with all her might. The fundamental purpose of establishing this Greater East Asia co-prosperity sphere comes truly from the great spirit of Japanese foundation; namely to enable all nations to find their proper place, and to establish the order of co-prosperity based on morality in which Japan is the center. (Applause.) This establishment will be made by the cooperation of various races in vast areas. The new areas which will take part in this establishment have been extremely exploited and their development of culture has been bitterly checked by America and Britain for the past 100 years, despite their great resources. (Applause.)

"Japan is going to establish an eternal peace in Greater East Asia, and will moreover construct a new world order with friendly countries under this new plan with which we will make an epoch on human history in East Asia, including these new areas. Of course this is really a great undertaking. The aim of this important undertaking is to lead our military successes to final victory.

In constructing this, we have a mind to bring under our power these areas which are absolutely indispensable for the defense of Greater East Asia and to deal with the others properly in accordance with traditions and culture of every race, and the changes of war situations. (Applause.)

"Our Imperial Army and Navy forces have already captured Hongkong, taken the greater part of the Philippines, and suppressed the best part of Malay. Moreover, recently they have occupied strategic points of the Dutch East Indies. In view of the fact that among these areas Hongkong and Malay have been British dominions for many years, and are bases of trouble in East Asia, we will not only eliminate the roots of evil, but will also make them strategic points of defense in Greater East Asia. (Applause.)

"Regarding the Philippines, the honor of independence will be given them willingly by Japan, if they understand our true intention and cooperate as members of the establishment of the Greater East Asia Co-prosperity Sphere. (Applause.) Our intention for Burma is the same as for the Philippines.

"When Dutch East Indies and Australia continue their bearing to resist Japan we will crush them without hesitation. (Applause.) However, when their inhabitants understand our true intention and cooperate with us, we will give support to their development and welfare with our full understanding. (Applause.)

"It is very regrettable that the Chiang Kai-shek regime continues to resist Japan, and we will crush them to the last. (Applause.) I hereby emphasize there is now a chance for them to gaze correctly at the world situations, to abandon old relations with them, America and Britain, and to take part in the great undertaking of constructing the Greater East Asia Co-prosperity Sphere. (Applause.)

"It is a matter for congratulation that all the people of Manchukuo, China, and Thailand have made constant efforts together with Japan for the establishment of the Greater East Asia Co-prosperity Sphere and that French Indo-China has also co-operated in it. (Applause.)

"It is a matter for mutual congratulation that our friendly countries, especially Germany and Italy, are steadily obtaining war results with Japan for the establishment of the new world order. (Applause.) We will tightly unite with them in military, diplomatic, and economic relations, and make progress to accomplish our joint aims. The situation which we intend to effect is that at the beginning of the war we will establish military administration, set about the immediate tasks necessary for the prosecution of war, prepare for the great construction of the future and make expand the limits of participation in the administration of the inhabitants, with the establishment of public peace, order, and defense in East Asia. In view of the fact that our scheme regarding the construction of Greater East Asia is far-sighted, it is necessary to prepare thoroughly so as to take care of the establishment and to obtain the cooperation of officials and civilians whose abilities are all mobilized. (Applause.)

"In accordance with the beforementioned situations, and in order to expect the development of our country, the present immediate duty is to crush our enemies more and more, strengthen our fighting power, and establish the organization for the certain victory. Therefore all national systems must be concentrated upon them.

"Consequently, all departments of the government will establish the policies necessary for the prosecution of war, and carry them out promptly. Namely, in order to maintain and increase the producing capacity in war-time, we will concentrate materials, labor, electric power and funds chiefly into the leading enterprises which are more important than others, and make the most of the equipment which we have now, and at the same time, we will take into consideration the expansion of production of important industries necessary for the national defense, and the counter-plan for the war-time foods necessary for the security of the national life. At the present the most important problem is transportation facilities rather than the shortage of resources, so we will make special efforts to construct ships, thereby improving and strengthening communications and transportations. (Applause.) Again, in order to prosecute the national policies, the accumulation of people's funds is absolutely necessary. Accordingly, it is the Government's intention to exert further efforts in the future for the promotion of people's savings.

"Since the outbreak of this war the range of the national activities have been remarkably expanded and their responsibilities have become more and more important. Now the improvement of the national character and the increase of population have been necessary for the prosecution of war and for the completion of the construction. We must reform all the educational organizations, sanitary equipment for the people and a system of medical treatment. (Applause.)

"In accordance with the above-mentioned statements, the government has presented the drafts of law and budget to the Imperial Diet. I hope we will promptly obtain the approval of both Houses of the Diet.

"In conclusion, I wish to express deep appreciation for the good will which our friendly powers have extended to our country and also to express heartfelt respect for the patriotic spirit of our people who are co-operating with each other in rendering service through their respective occupations." (Applause.)

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○國務大臣(東條英機君)先般開院式ニ當リマシテハ特ニ優渥ナル勅語ヲ賜ハリ洵ニ恐懼感激ニ堪ヘシヤ又私ハ自様方ト共ニ謹シテ聖旨ヲ奉體シ全力ヲ舉ゲテ職責ノ遂行ニ當リ速カニ戰爭目的ヲ達成シ以テ聖慮ヲ安ンジ奉ランコトヲ期スル次第デアリマス(拍手)

大東亞戰爭開始以來皇軍ノ嚮フ所敵ナク到ル處赫々タル戰捷ヲ收メマシテ短時日ニシテ既ニ大東亞ニ於ケル敵ノ要衝ノ大部分ヲ覆滅シ一方重慶政權ニ對シマシテモ亦益々壓迫ヲ強仕シ更ニ其邊ノ護リ船石ノ安キニ在リ仍テ以テ帝國ノ威武ヲ中外ニ宣揚シワッアリマスルコトハ洵ニ御同慶ノ至リデアリマス(拍手)是レ偏ニ御校威ノ然ラシムル所デアリマシテ感激ニ堪ヘナイ次第デアリマス而シテ広大ナル地域ニ亘リ寒暑ヲ克服シテ勇力戰力闢克ク此ノ偉大ナル戰果ヲ收メワッアリマスル我が忠勇無比ナル陸海軍將兵ノ努力ヲ又武勳ニ對シマシテハ衷心ヨリ感謝シ且敬意ヲ表スル次第デアリマス(拍手)又護國ノ英靈ニ對シマシテハ茲ニ敬弔ノ誠ヲ披瀝致シマスル共ニ其ノ遺族並ニ傷病將兵ニ對シマシテハ深キ同情ヲ表スル次第デアリマス(拍手)

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抑帝國ノ現ニ遂行レツツアリマスル所ノ大東亞戰爭
指導ノ要諦ハ大東亞ニ於ケル戰略據点ヲ確保致
シマスルト共ニ重要資源地域ヲ我が管轄制下ニ收メ以
テ我が戦力ヲ擴充シツ、独伊西國ト密ニ協力シ
互ニ呼應シテ益々積極的作戰ヲ展開シ米英西國
ヲ屈服セシムルマデ戦ヒ抜クコトデアリマス（拍手）然ル
ニ米英西國ハ永年ニ互リ世界制覇ノ基礎ヲ固メ世
界最大ノ富強ヲ誇ルモデアリマス緒戦ノ大敗ニ拘
ラズ必ズヤ執拗ニ我ニ抗シ頽勢ノ挽回ヲ図リ来ルニ
キハ想像スルニ難クナリデアリマス故ニ今後各種ノ
困難ナル事象ガ発生シテタリマスモ然ルモ或ハ又
此ノ戦争ガ長期戦トナリマスルトモ当然覺悟セネ
バナラナイデアリマス即チ戦争ハ正ニ今後ニアルデ
アリマス我が行戦ノ目的ヲ達成セシガ爲ニ全國
民ハ愈々必勝ノ信念ノ下如何ナル艱難辛苦ヲモ
堪ヘ忍ビ以テ國家ニ報ズベキデアリマス而シテ此ノ
勤儉尚武ノ献身報國ノ精神ヲソハ現下ノ難關実
破ノ爲ニミナサス帝國將來ノ発展ノ爲ニモ絶對缺
クベカラザル要件ナリデアリマス（拍手）
帝國ハ今ヤ國家ノ總力ヲ與キゲテ専ラ雄大広汎
ナル大作戦ヲ遂行レツツ大東亞共榮圈建設ノ
大事業ニ邁進シテ居ルデアリマス而シテ大東
亞共榮圈建設ノ根本方針ハ美ニ改革國ノ大

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精神ニ淵源スルモノデアリマシテ大東亞ノ各國家
及ビ各民族ヲシテ各々其ノ所ヲ得シメ帝國ヲ核
心トスル道義ニ基キ共存共榮ノ秩序ヲ確立
セントスルニアルデアリマス（拍手）而シテ其ノ建設
ハ廣大ナル地域ニ亘リ各種ノ民族ト相倚リ相携
ヘテ行ハレルデアリマス而モ今テ同新々ニ此ノ建
設ニ參加セントスル地域タルヤ資源極メテ豊
富ナルニモ拘ラズ最近百年ノ間米英西國
等ノ極メテサリサナル搾取ヲ受ケ爲ニ文化ノ
發達甚カシク阻害セラレタル地域デアリマス（拍
手）

No4 ☆

帝國ガ此ノ地域ヲ加ヘテ人類史上ニ一新紀元
ヲ劃スベキ新々タル構想ノトニ大東亞永遠
ノ平和ヲ確立シ進ニテ盟邦ト共ニ世界ノ新秩
序ノ建設ヲナサント致シマスルコトハ正ニ曠古
ノ大事業デアリマス而シテ此ノ大事業ノ成功ハ
又我ガ武力線ノ成功ヲ究極ノ勝利ニ道キ
マスル爲ニ必須ノ要件ナルデアリマス
此ノ建設ニ當リマシテハ大東亞防衛ノ爲絶対
必要ナル地域ハ帝國自ラ之ヲ把握措置シ
其ノ他ノ地域ニ關シマシテハ各民族ノ傳統文
化等ニ應ジマシテ戰局ノ進展ニ伴ヒレド
適當ナル處置ニ出ケルモノデアリマス（拍手）

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N05 ☆

今や帝國陸海軍ハ既ニ香港ヲ占領シハ島
 一大部分ヲ確保シ又「ミレー」半島一大部分ヲ制
 圧シ更ニ最近ニ至リマシテハ蘭印ノ要衝ヲ
 占據スルニ至リテアリマス是等諸地域
 内、香港「マレー」半島ハタリ年英國ノ領土デ
 アリ且ウ東亞禍乱ノ基地タリシ事實ニ
 鑑ミマシテ帝國ハ徹底的ニ禍根ヲ其除ス
 ルニナラズ寧ろ是等ヲシテ大東亞防衛ノ
 據点ヲラシメントスルモ「デアリマス」(拍手)
 此島ニ関シマシテハ將來同島ノ民衆ニシテ帝
 國ノ真意ヲ了解シ大東亞共榮圈建設
 ノ一翼トシテ協力シテ来ル場合ニ於キマシテハ帝
 國ハ欣然トシテ彼等ニ獨立ノ榮譽ヲ與ヘン
 トスルモ「デアリマス」(拍手)
 「ビルマ」等ニ付キマシテモ亦帝國ノ企圖スル
 所ハ此島ト異ナル所ハナイ「デアリマス」
 蘭印及セ濠洲ニ付キマシテハ是等が現在ノ
 如ク帝國ニ對シ抗戰ノ態度ヲ繼續スルニ
 於キマシテハ帝國ハ容赦ナク之ヲ東碎セシ
 トスルモ「デアリマス」(拍手)併シナガラ其ノ住
 民が帝國ノ真意ヲ了解シテ協力シテ参
 リマシ「ナラバ」其ノ福祉ト改开展リタメニハ帝

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國に命令、理解ヲ以テ之ニ力ヲ添フルニ各テ、
アリマス(拍手)

今日尙重慶政權が無意義、抗戦ヲ繼續
シ、アリマスルコト、間ニ遺憾テアリマス、帝

國ハ之ヲ徹底的ニ破碎セシムルニ力ヲ加ヘマス
(拍手) 我ハ今コソ、假令此ハ世界情勢、大

變遷ヲ正視シ、翻シテ米英依存、舊日舊ヲ
擲シテ、大東亞共榮圈建設ノ大事業ニ

馳テ参ルズキ時期テアルコトヲ確信スルニ力
アリマス(拍手)

滿華ヲ以テ、諸國民ガ帝國ト一丸トシテ大
東亞共榮圈建設、タメニ不斷ノ努力ヲナシ

ツ、アリ、佛印亦之ニ協力シ、アリマスルコト、
間ニ慶祝トナシテアリマス(拍手)

一方盟邦特ニ独伊兩國ガ帝國ト共ニ世界新
秩序建設、タメ共々、戦果ヲ與キゲツアリ

マスルコト、間ニ同慶ニ堪ヘヌ所テアリマス(拍手)

帝國ハ是等盟邦ト、間ニ軍事外交經濟
諸等各般ニ互ニ、今後モ益々結束ヲ固メ

以テ共同ノ目的達成ニ邁進セシムルニ力
アリマス帝國ハ正國致シマスル建設ニ緒

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戦当初ニ於キマスル、失フ軍政下ニ於

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キマシテ戦争遂行上緊要ナルモノヨリ著手シ
且ツ將來ノ大建設ヲ準備シ防衛及ビ治安ノ
確立ニ伴ヒ逐次民間各業ノ範圍ヲ擴張セントスルモ
「デアリマス」而シテ帝國ノ企圖シツアル大東亞建設
ノ方策ハ國家百年ノ長計タルニ鑑ミマシテ十分
ノ準備ヲ整ヘテ万全ノ策ヲ講ズルノ要ガアルハナリ
マス政府ハ廣ク官民各方面ノ知能ヲ動員シテ
是ガ協力ニ依リテ其ノ樹立ト其ノ遂行トニ万遺憾
ナキヲ期セントスル所ナデ「デアリマス」(拍手)
以上ノ情勢ニ應ジ國運進展ヲ期スルタメニ帝
國今日ノ急務ハ國家總力ヲ興キゲテ専ラ武力
戰ニ於テ屈敵ノ戰果ヲ拓大致シマスルト共ニ戰
争遂行力ヲ強化ヲ促進致シマシテ必勝ノ能ハ
勢ヲ確立スルニアル「デアリマス」又各般ノ施策モ
亦之ニ倣ハ中スベキトテ政府ハ確信スルモノ「デアリマス」
是ニ於キマシテ政府ハ國政各部門ニ互リテ戰争ノ
遂行ニ必要ナル方策ヲ確定シ且ツ迅速ニ之ヲ
実行シタイトモ「デアリマス」即チ
戰時生産力ノ維持増強ヲ回リマシタメニ
ハ特ニ緊要ナル企業中優秀ナルモノニ對シ
重資船二資材、燃料、電力、次具金等
ヲ集中シ以テ既存設備ノ最高高度活用ヲ回リ

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マスルト共ニ、重要國防産業ノ生産擴充ニ格段
ノ考慮ヲ拂ヒ又國民生活確保ノタメニ、戰時食
糧對策ノ整備ニ算入ナカラシコトヲ期シテ居ル
デアリマス。而シテ今日ニ於ケル最モ重大ナル問
題ハ資源不足ニアラスシテ、寧ロ交通運輸ノ
整備如何ニ存スルニ鑑ミマシテ、船舶ノ建造ニ特
ニ力ヲ用ヒ以テ交通運輸ノ改善強化ヲ圖リタイ
ト存ズルモノデアリマス（拍手）。又國策遂行ノ
タメニ民間資金ノ蓄積ガ絶對ニ必要デアリ
マス、仍テ政府ハ國民貯蓄ノ増強ノタメニ今
右一層努力ヲ致ス所存デアリマス
開戰以來我ガ國民ノ活動ノ範圍ハ著シク擴大
セラレ、又ソノ責任モ愈々重クテツクデアリマス、
今ヤ國民ノ素質ノ向上ト人口ノ増加トハ戰爭遂
行ノ爲ニモ將又建設完成ノタメニモ絶對ニ必要
トナツクデアリマス、是ガタメ教育全般刷新
強化ニ大イニ力ヲ致シマスルト共ニ國民保健施
設及ビ医療制度ハ、根本的整備ヲ行ヒタイト
存スル次第デアリマス（拍手）

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以上申述べマシタ趣旨ニ基キマシテ、政府ハ
豫算案及ビ法律案ヲ提出致シマシタ次
第デアリマス。何卒速カニ協賛ヲ與ヘレ
シコトヲ切望致シマス

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尚ホ終リニ臨ミ友邦ヨリ帝國ニ興ヘラレマシ
タル厚音ニ對シ深甚ナル謝音ニラ表明致シ
マスルト共ニ、國民各位ガ相協力シテ職域
奉公、實ラ譽ゲツツアル愛國ノ至情ニ對シ
マシテ衷ビヨリ敬音ニラ表スル次第デアリマ
ス終リ（拍手）

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